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#### UNSETTLED MONEY STANDARDS

The monetary problem seems again approachinganother of the war's alarms. Silver bars sold last week in the New York market at 95 5-8 cents an ounce. In Vancouver, B. C., a sale was recorded at the record price of \$1.02 an ounce. The "gold bugs" say it's threatening.

The rapid and continuous rise of silver is adding much to the perpiexity of financiers over the general unsettlement of values. Our own currency system is not threatened as yet. At 95 5-8 cents an ounce there is only a little more than 75 cents' worth of silver in cur dollar. Bar silver must rise to \$1.29 an ounce before the metal in the silver dollar reaches the par

That par value, as nearly everybody knows, is based on the value of a gold dollar. Silver, under our single monetary standard, is merely "token money," worth 106 cents on the dollar because a dollar of it can be exchanged for 100 cents in gold. It is not considered likely that par value will be reached by silver bullion. If that danger point should be reached, and passed, the silver dollar would of course be worth more than the gold dollar, and there would be confusion in our monetary system.

This very thing has already occurred in some countries. Mexico has a silver standard. The Mexican dollar is now worth 75 cents as bullion value, as against its normal par value of 50 cents in American money. The Philippine silver peso is worth more than par today. That creates a problem in our exchanges with Manila; but our government solves the problem with a club by refusing to allow the importation of Philippine pesos.

It is expected that silver will continue rising for some time. There is a tremendous demand for it for currency purposes, owing to the disappearance of gold war there may be a still greater demand. Germany and Austria-Hungary, which today are practically on a paper money basis, may make enormous purchases of silver to validate their paper issues. There is talk of several nations returning to a bimetallic standard after the war. The international money problem may be one of the most vital subjects of discussion at the great peace conference to which the world looks for-

That conference may go so far as to attempt the establishment of an 'absolute standard of values''-a standard that is neither gold nor silver, nor both together, but an abstraction based, perhaps, on the average value of a large number of commodities taken together. If such a standard could be worked out and universally adopted, gold and silver would both become more 'token money," and values would not be liable to continuous and perilous unsettlement as they are at present. Anyhow there seems big financiers who think so.

### CADORNA.

Gen. Cadorna celebrated his 20th birthday last week by giving the Austrians another licking. The thoroughness of the licking served to emphasize the interesting fect that Cadorna is the only commander-in-chief in any important belligerent country who has retained his It is the everlasting truth. It goes to the heart of the ferent additions, as, for instance, but, unfortunately, the scanty recommand since the beginning of the war.

three years ago, stands today as one of the greatest fig- present situation. ures of the epochal conflict. He has more constructive mander. He started with a carefully prepared plan of tions she has sinned against will take her by the hand, campaign and has pursued it steadily, persistently, re- and she may have peace. That's all there is to it. lentlessly, without the slightest deviation,

He has done it modestly, too. Military men in general are not much given to loquacity; but of all the big Washington announces that a means has been in war generals, except possibly the deposed Grand Duke vented for detecting the Germa. It-boats even when paste can be found on the market), only one original species of man Nicholas, Cadorna is the most silent. He never foretells submarine problem is thereby The cut paste is placed on the pa- is furnished by the general physica victory, and never brags about one. His reports never practically solved. exaggerate; they rather understate.

that Cadorna is 76 years old. He doesn't look like a the people of this country will demand and be entitled crystalized sugar and packed in a spring. Crossing is easy between septuagenarian. And certainly he doesn't fight as we to is an accurate authenticated account of the destruc- tin or wooden box, lined with parch- the different races of man, and, our, if not of very practical, intermight expect a septuagenarian to fight. Maybe, though, tion of just one U-boat through the means proclaimed. we've been all wrong about age incapacitating men for Such an account would, indeed, be the most important great achievement. This war has pretty well put the news to the whole world. One consummated result is Osler theory out of business.

If any youthful Alexander or Napoleon is to appear, hopes and experiments. It probably rests with America to furnish him. There is none yet in sight. Nearly all the successful generals "Russia must be beaten first," says Hindenburg, and are old men.

### CUT-OUTS AND HORNS.

The national automobile chamber of commerce has backers. recommended that in all cars built after Jan. 1, muffler

It's a fine reform. Now if they'd only eliminate the maybe "To God! squawk-horns, the public would enjoy comparative peace.

### BUSINESS BETTER THAN USUAL

The civilian part of us is seriously engaged in con- those autocrats whom Woodrow basted. servation, isn't it? The people as a whole are sacrificing and suffering for war's sake, aren't they? Nothing getting down to the bare necessaries, aren't we?

# Just A Trifle Shady

THAT action of the common council in demanding passes to the Interstate I fair, backed by the threat that the councilmen would impose a heavy license burden upon the fair association, if the passes were not forthcoming, was pretty well characterized by Pres't John S. Bordner as "petty-graft".

That is what the demand for the passes, with the alternative submitted, amounted to, if we know anything about what "petty graft" means; and, so much so, as to be quite akin to bribery. The fair association comes pretty close to being a party to the "graft" by acceding to the demands, under the conditions imposed.

The fair association may have made a mistake in not extending to the members of the council, the courtesy of free admissions to its exhibition, but it is a pretty small bunch of roses that will demand courtesies that have to be drawn by extortion.

Furthermore, attendance at the fair is no official duty of the councilmen, and if the city is entitled to any such license fees as the association was threatened with, certainly the councilmen have no right to trade off such fee-forego the collection of it,-in return for any personal benefit or enjoyment to accrue to themselves.

It savors back to the old days when members of congress, of the various state legislatures, and even members of city councils, accepted railroad passes, express "franks", and other utility privileges, as a matter of course; even demanded them, "as courtesies", in return for legislative "let alone" policies, and for the extension of various valuable grants.

Congress and most of the state legislatures, however, long ago put a stop to this process; to the acceptance of any railroad passes, express "franks", or other utility privileges, and how quick we got the parcel post, the interstate commerce commission, and other utility regulation agencies.

We repeat that if South Bend is entitled to license fees from the Interstate Fair association, or from the exhibitors, because the fair is within the city limits. those fees ought to be collected, and to forego that collection in return for anything of value by way of privileges, or otherwise, extended to public officials for their individual enjoyment, is trading off the city's rights for personal

Would the councilmen have attempted to carry out their threat had they not been "courtesied" as they demanded? Would they have carried it out, if they had the power? If they would have, then they have been literally bought, unless they do go on and attempt the collection. If they go on and attempt the collection, then they are not honest, even in their knavery.

"An honest politician is one who stays bought," said the late Tom Reed, and here then, it must be we have a common council, either of "petty grafters", or "courtesy" bluffers, or, not even as much as "honest politicians", -with respect to which, woe, for the most of them are candidates for reelection.

The saving clause in it, of course, is that the city has no such rights against the fair association as the councilmen dangled before the fair management,though we doubt very much if either of them knew it. As it is, the demand was only a bluff in effect, and a bluff that worked, though to the credit of Pres't Bordner, it wasn't his fault. The executive committee of the fair association should have stood by the president.

A group of councilmen, so hard up that they cannot afford to pay their way to a public benefit like the fair, and who have no more sense nor pride than to compromise themselves by demanding personal favors, even only pretensively. at the public expense; well, to put it lightly as possible, they ought to stay at home—and nurse their grievance.

#### precedented consumption, by us, of whisky, cigars, cigarets and other forms of tobacco. Read these offi-Distilled spirits, increase 26,000,000 gallons. The total was 154,500,000 gallons, or about one and one-half gallons for every man, woman and child,

Cigars, 1,000,000,000 more than last year, or about Cigarets, 9,500,000.000 more than in 1916. Total

Tobacco, 28,000,000 pounds more.

Snuff, over 2,000,000 pounds more.

Increase of tax collections from beer, 3,000,000 dol

The taxes collected on spirits and beer amounted to ply of the country. \$278,460,248; and 25 of the states are "dry"! Let the reader answer the questions we've put into the first paragraph of this statement,

### REPENTANCE FIRST

"When will the end come? It can come only when the enemy understands, when he sees the evil he has caused and regrets it, when he is ashamed. The change must not be merely one on paper, one in the laws of the country, but one in his mind."

So spoke Ambassador Jusserand in a recent address. war. It sweeps away all the pettyfogging arguments vanilla, peppermint or orange flav- mains of the earliest numan types This leader, almost unknown outside his own country and conflicting sentiments and detailed rubbish of the

Germany has sinned most wickedly. Germany must half-inch layer on flat dishes, mar- shapes of their skulls and bones, achievement to his credit than any other allied com- have a change of heart. Then, and not before, the na-

## CHANCE FOR A BIG STORY.

The announcement of his birthday revealed the fact every netail of this device and its workings, but what exposed to draft, is dipped in cross, fail to produce fertile offworth more than a barrelful of promises, expectations, cherries, plums and other fruits.

> he's begun it. But there's considerable history to prove that Russia must be beaten first, last and all . the time. Russians sure are the blue ribbon come-

value, the experts say, and they only encourage foo can Red Cross hospital, killing and wounding several week for her. drivers to add unnecessarily to the general din of Amer- doctors, nurses and soldiers. In harmony, of course, with the kaiser's war motte, "Onward with God!" or

> Cablegrams say that Wilson's latest "peace if you accompany her. note" made "a profound impression" in Germany. We believe it. We've never heard of a madder lot than

California profluces one-third of the petroleum sub- to save work in the hottest part of like hellish war to put the pinch on, is there? We're ply of this country. It's tough to have to give up a the day perfectly gurling oil hole in California to dig a more; helpful church service and while the division is allium, or the onion probability to suppose that man life forces eager for action, and the The past fiscal year's revenue reports show an un- bomb-proof hole in Flanders.

# Fruit Pastes are Wholesome on Large Cakes

As garnishing on creams, custards, large cakes, etc., there is this paper to conserve the food sup-

apple pulp, weighed after fruit is happily applicable in this case. with the sugar under constant stir- colors. ring until it is rather firm. It can citron or finely cut lemon peel.

days, after which the paste is cut been in existence even in into figures. If the paste is well boil- remote times.

## ONCE-OVERS

SUNDAY, THE DAY OF WORK. taking her out to dinner? Perhaps you have never thought Sunday.

take extra pains in dressing the chil- this a little. dren for Sabbath school and herself

for church, perhaps waiting on you. Even though much work has been Mrs. Bilton (at the theater): Mr. other, I think that the average and month . . . mois . . . mwa done on Saturday, in preparation. Tilton goes out between the acts, prejudiced inquirer will be disshe must hustle around immediate- doesn't he? ly after returning from service, and Bilton: No, dear; he comes in be- while waiting for more light. The origin, under circumstances that feh bec-on from it takes considerable thought to try tween drinks.-Life.

What a relief to feel that after a genera and 2,000 species, the chief seems to require no stretch of the whole planet was bursting with

family are all dressed without extra | group.

Science has traced man back a be varied in taste by the aid of dif- hundred thousand years, or more, or, or cooked with either finely cut give us no direct information about the color of their skin, although The paste is poured out into a we do get some hints from the ole or glass slabs, which are first which, taken in connection with rubbed with a cloth dipped in a present-day relationships of these good salad oil. The dishes are then things, seem to show that black ony pointing, as already remarked, exposed to draft for a couple of races and white races may have

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oaver to see us sum nite. She is do- You will like Missus Flounce, sed ing a lot of releef work to help the Ma. She is so earn-est & sinceer. If every woman in the nashun took That is good, sed Pa; it is a releef things as seerus as Missus Flounce, to see sum of yure lady frends cut- the war wud be oaver beefoar next ing out the card-cutting, sed Pa. payday, sed Ma. What are you Card-cutting? sed Ma. What do laffing at, sed Ma. I was laffing at the quaint way

Cut the cards & I will deel you a you date every-thing from payday. pritty good hand, that is what I sed Pa. If all the grate eevents in meen, sed Pa, I am glad the deer the history of the wurld happened ladies of yure cirkel have put there on payday, sed Pa, you cud rite a minds on the grate problems of the grate history.

day & put away them pasteboards, You can't be seerus eeven a min-If the gentelmen of our cirkel you what a reely grate lady Missus was as careful about cutting out Flounce is. She has the warm supthe cards it wud be a good thing port of her husband in all her work. for all hands. Ma sed, excep poker sed Ma. Wenever she thinks of a hands. But I do think all the pee- new way to help win this war her pul of this grate nashun has bee- husband gives her the munny. gan to put there sholders to the I see, sed Pa, that must maik her wheel. There is a sumthing grate quite thoughtful.

& sober, Ma sed, that has cum oaver | & jest then Missus Flounce caim | will admit that beeing sober is 1-2 a minnit to tell Ma about a move wich she is starting to get the pee-Did I evver meet this Missus pul to live on rabbits

I have nevver ate a rabbit since I

I think not, sed Ma, she married was a meer child, sed Pa sed Ma. Thay have nothing but pay in our grate work, sed Missus ore, sed Ma, & she is doing wunders Flounce. I shud jest like to heer my in the war releef. She is eeven husband speek flippant of my enmaiking her own gowns, Ma sed, so terprise, she sed to Pa. But my husband looks ahed. He has looked the dressmakers can do releef work hed evver since he married me. After Missus Flounce was gone sed Pa. I can jest see there happy Pa sed it was too bad Mister

# How Did Men Get Their Colors?

faces wile thay are doing releef Flounce waited so long beefoar he

sewing. Thay ought to be good at started looking ahed.

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But when the hero has achieved the high and headmost place,

Must be restrained by heavy hand and harshly spoken word.

LITTLE BOBBIE'S PA.

I have a vary deer frend, Missus leeved me of many a twenty in the

He quickly learns his lesson from the copy-book of kings,

In vigorous divergence from the common people's views,

Until there comes a leader forth of eminence and class, With head and shoulders well above the level of the mass,

They hurry to whatever heated section of the map

And thus acquire the tyrant's tall and elevated job.

He also soon discovers that the unreflective herd

To which he very often adds unnecessary things.

Flounce, sed Ma; she is cumming dear ded past, sed Pa.

By William F. Kirk.

A calm and coolness settles on his red and hasty face.

Rebellion is a dangerous and stimulating trade

BY GARRETT P. SERVISS. "How did the color distinction orig- of the parents. The inference from nate between the races? Was it through these facts is that the existing races a natural division in the species of man, each originating from his own distinctive source and section, such as existed scended from originally different between the apes, or was it through a species. development of interbreeding or sectional and climatic causes and differences? — C. F. G. Cleveland."

a Californy man with a gold mine,

That must tickel the dressmakers,

You have got in your teeth the monogenists," who hold that the per hand in the opinion of the groes and whites. scientific world, but the famous re-In making apple paste, the but- mark of the judicious Sir Roger de letin says use one-half pound of Coverley that "there is much to be powdered sugar to one 'pound of said on both sides' appears to be

rubbed through a sieve. Cut the ap- Of course, if the yellow, the white ples into quarters. Remove flower, and the black race each sprang stem and core. Put fruit into cold from its own independent root there water until it is ready to be cook- is no difficulty in accounting for ed. Boil tender under cover and over the existence of their distinctive a very low fire in order not to colors. On the other hand, if all scorch. Rub the tender apples have been developed from a single put into the kettle to be cooked plain how they got their separate

ed down it is dried more easily. One of the strongest arguments (Many small forms for cutting the in favor of the view that there was per, sprinkled with crystallized logical principle that independent Washington will be perfectly estified in refusing sugar or common granulated sugar. species of animals either cannot be long ages, brought about the ob-Then let it stand a couple of days crossed, or, in cases where they do ment paper and with layers of the moreover, the offspring appears to est then arises, viz.: What was the same paper placed between the lay- be almost, if not quite, invariably and permanently fertile, producing Other fruit pastes can be made of sub-races which combine, in vary-

a meal in peace and comfort, cooked but Tabari, the Arabian theologi- Names of the days of the week, business to do this line of work. Why not give your wife a real difference it makes in the lives of handful of every sort of clay - this lesson of the series of French treat on Sunday, once in a while by their wives who do not keep a maid black, white, red, yellow, blue and for American soldiers. to be able to get a genuine rest on every other kind. This perhaps, English. French. Pronunciation

isfied with your jobs if Sunday were many colored. De Quatrefages, who Tuesday . . mardee Why? Because you expect a more the hardest day, and if you had to championed the monogenist idea. Wednesday mercredi . mur-kredee elaborate dinner that day. She must work seven days a week? Think of found reasons for thinking that the Thursday . jeudi . . . zhud-ee complexion and red hair.

### SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT.

ing proportions, the characteristics are specifically one, and not de-

In other words, they are merely varieties of a single species. But, one of contention between the explanation can we find for the different races of mankind are only did the one original species of man varieties originating from one com- split up into several distinct variemon species and the "polygenists," ties? The old answer to this quesnothing quite so wholesome as fruit who believe that each of the prin- tion, as old as the time of Aristotle pastes, says today's bulletin of the cipal races originated from a sep- at least, was that climate, and asnational emergency food garden arate species, Just at present the sociated natural influences, procommission, which is working with monogenists, perhaps, have the up- duced the difference between Ne-

member when we used to read the relatively pale, cool daylight of through a coarse sieve, weigh and source it is a nice problem to ex. sun," as the poetical statement of a scientific fact. But this explana-

> to the conclusion that black men and white men probably had their color marks at the earliest period: of pre-history.

Still, there are many leading investigators of this question who elieve that the influences of environment have in some manner, y acting continuously through served distinctions between the races. Another question of curicolor of the original man? There is an old legend that Adam was red, based on the assumption that it was red earth (triturated "old red sandstone," perhaps) from

was intended to explain how Sunday . . . dimanche dim-mahnsh first human species had a yellowish Friday . . . vendredi . vong-dred-ee

After one has gone through all week .... semaine . seh-man the arguments, on one side and the day .....jour .... zhoor posed to withhold his decision, phenomena of hybridism tend to impressed original racial differshade the conclusion of specific ences upon him. Did continent In the great lily family of 200 unity, while, on the other hand, it have to wait upon continent when may have had several places of times were ripe?





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Saturday samedi sahm-dee

January ... janvier .. zhon-vce-yay February fevrier fevree-yay March ... mars ... mars May ....mai ....meh June ..... uin .... zhu ann July .....juillet .... zhwee-ch August ... aout ... ab-oo September . septembre set-tahnbr October . . . octobre . . uk-toe-br November - novembre no-valubr December , decembre deh-sahn r spring .... printemps prann-tong summer , ,etc , , . . . et-tay autumn ... automne .oh-tum winter ... hiver ... eav-ur Phrases.

Given first in English, second in french, third the pronunciation: Good merning-Ben Jour-Bonhoor. Good evening-Bon solr-Bon-

swar. Goodbye-Au revolr-Chareha

It is fine weather-Il fait bean temps-Eel felt boh tong.

It is bad weather-il fait mauvals temps-Eel feb mob-veb teng It is raining-II pleut-Eel plu It will rain-II pleuvra-Eel pluh-

rah. It will snow-II neigera-Ect nav-zhrab

May I shelter myself here"-Estce que le puis trouver un abri lui?-Ess-ku (u as in but) zheh pwee troo-vay un ah-hree ee-see? It is het-II fait blen chaud-Eel feh bee-on show. It is cold-II fait blen froid-Ec.

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